

CenterPoint Energy Incentive Program for Commercial/Industrial Efficiency Projects





- 1. Electric utility restructuring (Senate Bill 7)
- 2. Electric market was deregulated and integrated utilities were unbundled
- 3. Wholesale/Generation, Retail, Delivery
- 4. Requirement for energy efficiency placed on delivery companies

SB7 Energy Efficiency Requirements

- T&D utilities must reduce peak demand growth 10% per year
- Reduce demand through energy efficiency incentive programs
- Demand reduction must be acquired through the competitive market
- Make available to all customer classes



Energy Efficiency Incentives

- Incentives tied to market price for energy and capacity
- \$198/kW peak demand reduction, 6.8¢/kWh annual energy savings
- Statewide available incentives \$29 million
- Incentives paid based on verified savings



Standard Offer Program

- Incentives offered through a Standard Offer Program
- Open to customers, ESCOs, contractors, manufacturers, retail electric providers
- First come, first served
- One year incentive payment
- Retrofit and new construction



Results to Date

- Second year of the C&I program
- \$3.5 million in incentives in 2002
- 32 projects in 2002
- Mix of large commercial, industrial, institutional customers

Lighting, HVAC, motors, process



- 10.2 MW peak demand savings
- \$6.3 million incentives
- \$198/kW and 6.8¢/kWh
- 1 MW demand reduction = \$500,000



Service Area Map





How to Apply for Incentives

- Register as a project sponsor on website
- Complete on-line application
- Sign agreement, submit deposit (5%)
- Install project
- Verify energy savings
- Receive incentive payment



How to Get Started

- Visit website for more information www.CenterPoint Efficiency.com
- Contact CenterPoint Energy
 - Alan Ahrens 713.207.3453
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- Register and submit project